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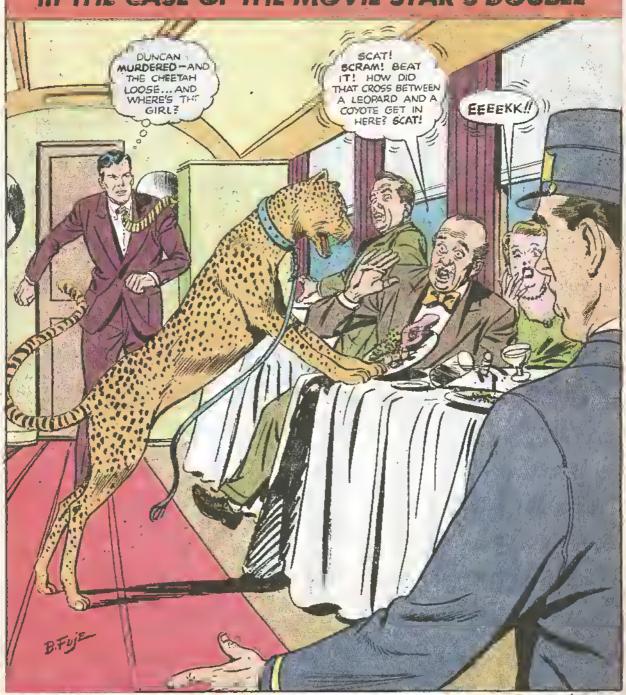
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RIME

THE CALM-NESS AROUND THE OFFICE WAS GETTING ON MY NERVES ...WENDY WASN'T EVEN COM-PLAINING ABOUT ANY THING! WE'D WORKED STEADILY UNTIL EVERY DATE! THREE DAYS OF THIS AND I WAS
RESTLESS! I WANTED
ACTION! WENDY GOT A CALL, AND SOME-HOW, I KNEW IT WAS HOW, I KNEW IT WAS THE REAL MCCOV. THE REAL MCCOV. BUT I NEVER GUESSED THAT I WOULD LAND SMACK IN THE MIDDLE OF A PLOT CALCULATED TO TURN A HOLLY. WOOD SCENARIO WRITER GREEN WITH

ENVY AND CERTAIN OTHER CHARACTERS WHITE WITH THE CHI



YOU'D HAVE

TO MEET

THEESAW

WORRY, MR.

GARDNER!









OKAY, WALTER! I'M

CONVINCED!

BUTT T

KNOW

BUT THE POINT IS - WELL, WE'RE IN SOME KIND OF A JAM, AND CAN'T FIGURE THERE'S A GIRL IMPER-SONATING TERRY AND GETTING AWAY WITH IT. WHY WHAT'S SHE UP TO SHE'S FOOLED PLENTY OF PEOPLE - TOO MANY-STATE TO BE A CO.



DON'T WANT BAD THIS IMPOSTOR PUBLICITY! YOU MUST HAVE LEARNED THAT UNDERSTAND THAT! NEED TO KNOW .. WE ARE SHIPPING FIRST IF SHE'S PULLING ANYTHING THEEBAW TO THE COAST BY TRAIN! CROOKED...AND WE BOUGHT A TICKET SO HE WE'VE SUDDENLY AH SIDE IN GOT A CHANCE BAGGAGE CAR DATE OF







WE'LL PAY YOUR FEE,

WE ARE FLYING! IT WAS NOT REALLY TERRY DEANE WHO PURCHAGED THOSE RAILROAD TICKETS! YOU SEE. WHEN TERRY WAS PLAYING IN "B" PICTURES & WE RAN A CONTEST FOR TERRY DEANE DOUBLES! ONE OF THESE GIRLS MUST HAVE GOTTEN IDEAS ... BUT WHICH ONE? WHAT IS

USE





..AND A PERFECT DOUBLE! IN OTHER WORDS, I'M TO SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY POLICE ACTION FROM HERE TO THE COAST!

WHATEVER IT IS, PLUS NO STRINGS ATTACHED! YOUR ALL EXPENSES, FOR I'LL USE MY OWN OWN JUDGMENT! IF I FIND A FRAUD I'LL HAVE A WEEK'S WORK! JUDG-EXTRA DAYS MENT, ANY WILL BE AT YOUR AN ARREST MADE! CHIP! THIS MAY BE REGULAR RATES. WORSE THAN YOU THINK!

IF I DO IT, I WANT



OKAY! YES! NOW. HERE'S CLYDE HAS YOU'LL WEET YOUR TO GET THEEBAW ME IN TICKET ONTO THE AND LOS THE TRAIN! ANGELES PHOTOS. BUT YOU'D BETTER TAKE SEPARATE TAXIE:

TWENTY MINUTES LATER, I WAS AT GRAND CENTRAL! THE THROUGH COACHES WERE A NEW SPEED-UP PLAN! THEY LEFT NEW YORK AS THE FRONT END OF THE KNICKERBOCKER LIMITED! THERE WAS A COMBINED CLUB CAR WITH A BAGGAGE SECTION! ONLY PASSENGERS WERE ALLOWED THROUGH THE TRAIN GATE, BUT EVEN SO CIPDE WILTON, WITH THEEBAW IN TOW, DREW A CROWD ...



I DIDN'T BAT AN EYE WHEN WILTON PASSED ME ON THE WAY OUT OF THE STATION, NOR OLD HE! IF I CAN SPOT BARTON SILVER

AND THE PHONY TERRY GETTING

ABOARD I MAY BE ABLE TO LOCATE THEIR QUARTERS WITHOUT ASKING! HMMM! I GUESS THE OBSERVATION CAR'S MY BEST BET!

RIM







SHE'LL HAVE TO SELL SOMEBODY LIKE BARTON SILVER THAT SHE'S GOOD-IF SHE REALLY IS! THE THAT TERRY DEANES ARE

YEAH! A DIME GROSS, JUDGING THE HUDSON, BUT I DIDN'T GET A BEFORE SHE GETS



THE TRAIN ROLLED ALONG



DOZEN:

I'M SURE I HELLO, THERE, MISS DEANE! HAVEN'T SHOULD ... BUT SEEN YOU IN WEEKS! REALLY, I .. YOU REMEMBER YOU! SO OF COURSE! SORRY!



WHEELS WERE BUZZING TERRY'S ROLE IN MY HEAD! WHOEVER IN HER LAST THE IMPOSTOR WAS, SHE PICTURE TO PERFEC. MUST HAVE SPENT END-LESS HOURS WATCHING TERRY DEANE ON THE SCREEN, CATCHING AND ACQUIRING EVERY INFLECTION OF VOICE EVERY CHARACTERISTIC GESTURE! WHAT AN ACTING JOB THAT CALLED FOR! AND SHE COULDN'T LET UP-NOT FOR A MINUTE! I BECAME MORE AND MORE INTRIGUED AS I WATCHED HER IN THE DINER! SHE SEE MED TO BE WAITING FOR SOME. ONE, PROBABLY BARTON SILVER! I PACED MY MEAL TO HERS AND WHEN SHE AROSE, I FOLLOWED HER OUT! AND IN THE NEXT CAR WE CAME UPON-YOU GUESSED IT-BARTON SILVER!









WAS FUN WATCHING THAT DAME WORK THE "DON'T WE KNOW EACH OTHER?" UNE FO ALREADY PULLED ON HERE BUT IT GRIPED ME TO SEE SILVER'S SECRETARY FALL FOR IT UNTIL I REALIZED THAT ELMER DUNCAN HAD HAD HIS MIND MADE UP FOR HIM SO OFTEN THAT HE DION'I HAVE ONE OF HIS OWN, SO IT DION'T MATTER! GAL WAS MASTING HER TIME!





BIG JOE DRUKE OF THE MANY SMALL-TIME RACKETEERS I KEPT MENTALLY TABBED! HE GOT HIS NAME, NOT FROM HIS SIZE, BUT FROM HIS ABILITY TO ROLL TENS IN CRAP GAMES! 1 COULDN'T IMAGINE WHAT HE WAS KNICKERBOCKER LIMITED! BROOKLYN WAS HIS STAMPING GROUND! MAYBE HE WAS ON SOMETHING BIGGER THAN DICE AND NUMBERS! HE MIGHT BEAR

WATCHING ...





I WAS CURIOUS BUT NOT ENOUGH TO LOSE ANY SLEEP OVER IT! AS A MATTER OF FACT, I DIDN'T WAKE UP EVEN WHEN THE TRAIN DROPPED SOME LAND. OR WHEN WE ROLLED INTO CHICAGO AT 6:15 IN THE MORNING! BY THE TIME THE PORTER POUNDED ON MY DOOR, WE WERE PULLING OUT FOR OMAHA AT ABOUT 8:15 ...



TOO BAD WE AIN'T ON THE ROCK ISLAND, SO YOU COULD WAVE TO YOUR OLD PALS IN JOLIET!

LAY OFF, ART!
I'M IN THIS
DEAL ALL THE
WAY! YOU KNOW
THAT! BESIDES,
HERE COMES
THAT TIN HORN
GUMGHOE!

AHA! THE
CANASTA
TWINS—
W WONDER
HOW THEIR
LITTLE GAME
WORKED OUT

NIGHT

THE FAST TRAIN REALLY LOOPED IT ACROSS THE PRAIRIES INTO OMAHA... WHEN WE REACHED NORTH PLATTE, I SET MY WATCH BACK TO MOUNTAIN TIME! LATER, I WATCHED THE GIRL COME INTO THE DINER AND AFTERWARDS GO FORWARD TO THE CLUB CAR...









MISS PHONY HAD SOMETHING ON HER MIND, AND IT WASN'T DUNCAN! ALL HE GOT WAS A COLD STARE AS SHE LEFT! I FOLLOWED LEISURELY, AND AS SHE APPROACHED COMPARTMENT "B," I UNDERSTOOD HER ACTIONS! WITH DUNCAN GONE, HERE WAS HER CHANCE TO CATCH BARTON SILVER ALONE...















IT SEEMED TO ME THAT THIS BIT OF BY-PLAY WAS TOO ELABORATELY STAGED TO BE AN ACCIDENT! WAS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE GIRL ACTUALLY KNEW THESE MUGS BUT COULDN'T ACKNOWLEDGE IT PUBLICLY? PERHAPS SHE HAD WRITTENNOT AN AUTOGRAPH—BUT A MESSAGE! LATER, I WISHED I HAD PLAYED THIS HUNCH AND TAILED FINELL! AND DRUKE! INSTEAD, I FOLLOWED THE GIRL!

THERE! IS RIGHT, JOE! YEAH,





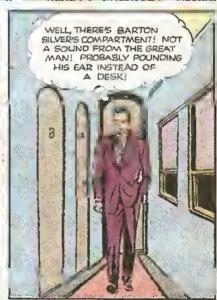




MEANWHILE, I HAD FOLLOWED THE GIRL ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE OBSERVATION CAR AND WASTED MY TIME LISTENING TO A LOT OF SWALL, TALK...

















AT THAT MOMENT WE HIT A CURVE AND
THE LURCHING OF THE TRAIN THREW ME
OFF BALANCE! INSTANTLY FINELLI AND DRUKE
WERE SWARMING ALL OVER ME! THE GUN
WAS KNOCKED OUT OF MY HAND AND...
WITH HIS



SUDDENLY, 1 WENT OUT LIKE A LIGHT ...



HEY!
THAT
THING'S
WILD!
DON'T...

SHUT UP! IT'S
TAME! I'LL
HANDLE IT!
GET THAT MUG
INTO THE CRATEQUICK!









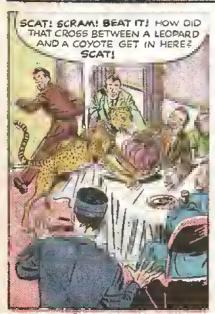
THE TRAIN WAS DUE IN OGDEN, UTAH, ABOUT 7A M. AND YO TOLD THE PORTER TO MAKE SURE I WAS UP...SO THINGS WERE REALLY WORKING TO A CLIMAX AS DAWN BROKE...















JUMP, THEEBAW! THAT'S THE BOY ... OH, YOU'RE A NEW MAN! THE CHEETAH IS TAME! YOU WON'T NEED TO PUT HIM IN HIS BOX FOR THE DAYLIGHT RIDE TO ALIDON'T KNOW

IT'S OKAY, MISS DEANE! HE AND I HAVE TRAVELED TO-GETHER BEFORE I REGOGNIZED HIS KENNEL WHEN I CAME ON! I THOUGHT HE



I WAS WIDE AWAKE AND LISTENING ... BUT I COULN'T TALK ... I TRIED TO KICK, BUT THE TRAIN JOLTED AND MOVED! IT WASN'T UNTIL ALMOST NOON THAT THE CONDUCTOR SHOWED



SO THAT'S THE OVERGROWN THAT IS ODD: CAT THAT RACED THROUGH THE TRAIN COLLECTING LAWSUITS FOR THE RAIL ROAD! YOU SAY HE'S SMART-HE MUST BE TO CLAMP THAT BOX AFTER HE GOT OUT!

SAY, MAY. GOT HIM OUT, BUT WHY CLAMP THE BOX SHUT





WE HEADED FOR SILVER'S ROOM WHILE I EXPLAINED ...

NO, SIR, NO SOUND FROM EITHER OF THEM THIS MORNING, BUT MR. SILVER NEVER WANTS TO BE DISTLIBBED.

WELL THIS TWE TO BE!



NOBODY IN EITHER ROOM! LOOK IMM, THE BAGGAGE UP THERE! BUT I DON'T SEE ..

SHOT THROUGH THE HEART ... AND DUNCAN MISSING WITH THE GUN PLANTED ON HIS BODY IN CASE HE'S FOUND:



NOT A

WORD ABOUT

THIS TO ANYBODY,

PORTER! I'LL

THE RIDE THROUGH CALIFORNIA WAS WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT! WHEN WE ARRIVED IN L.A., TERRY DEANE WAS WAITING AT THE STATION ACCOMPANIE BY WILTON AND HER MANAGER! I SPENT ONLY A FEW MINUTES IN CONVERSATION BEFORE LEAVING FOR POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS ...

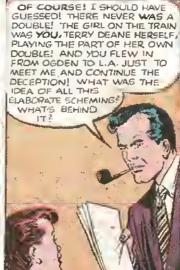
WHEN SHE LEFT WHY IS IT TRUE DIDN'T THE TRAIN AT OGDEN I WAS YOU HAVE THEM ARREST





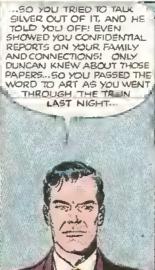














HE'S BUT NO! WE STILL RIGHT NEED HIS REPORT! YOU TALK TOO MUCH! GIVE HIM A FINELLII CHANCE TO YOUR I'M GOING CHANGE IT AND SISTER TO SHUT NEEDS ANY SIGN IT! .. EVEN YOU UP HELP SHE FOR IF TERRY WAS CAN GET IN SOMETHING, GOOD! L HAT NO NOW! PART OF ...

SO WITH A GUN IN MY BACK I SAT DOWN TO WRITE THAT REPORT! I STALLED AND MADE MISTAKES! FINELLI HAD ME SLATED FOR A SAB, BUT I STILL LIKE SOFT BEDS... AND I FIGURED HE WASN'T TOO SMART...







WE WERE CLOSE TO THE DOOR OF AN ADJOINING ROOM!
WHEN I SAW WILTON WAS NO MATCH FOR DRUKE I
SWUNG AROUND, SHOVED WILTON THROUGH THE DOOR, AND
SLAMMED IT AFTER US!





YOU'RE A LUCKY STIFF, WHEW: THAT GARDNER! WE ALMOST WAS CLOSE! TURNED THOSE PRINTS YOU'RE OVER TO THE FBI WITH WELCOME TO THIS MESS, OUT CHECKING THEM FIRST! THEY TOLD THE INSPECTOR STORY! WE OVERHEARD GRESHAM! ENOUGH TO CLEAR TAKE 'EM WILTON, BUT HE'LL AWAY! HAVE TO COME ALONG OR QUESTIONING!

THE END

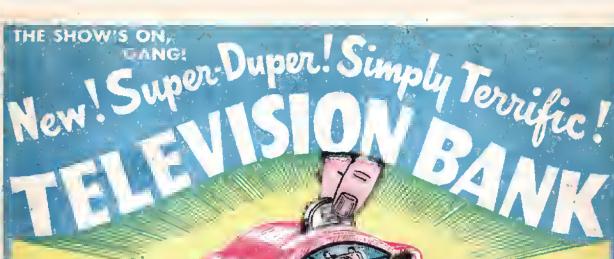
DEANE'S NAME CAME
DOWN OFF THE
MARQUEES AND
DISAPPEARED FROM
THE FAN MAGAZINER

THE FAN MAGAZINES SHE'S IN JAIL NOW AS PLAIN SARAH FINELL! THE STUDIOS HUSHED AS MUCH OF THE STORY AS POSSIBLE, BUT SOME OF IT GOT OUT!

AS FOR ME, I WAS IN L.A. ;
AND BROKE! MY CLIENT WAS
IN THE CUNK, AND I HAD TO
WIRE WENDY FOR THE REST
OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO
GET HOME! DRUKE HAD
FUT MY PAPERS BACK WHEN
FINELLI TOLD HIM TO DURING
THE STRUGGLE IN THE BAGGAGE
CAR, BUT HE HAD KEPT MOST
OF MY MONEY!

IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE CASE OF THE "DARLING" DAUGHTER", THAT POPPED UP WHEN I GOT BACK TO NEW YORK, I'D BE OUT OF BUSINESS, BUT I'LL TELL YOU ASOUTTHAT NEXT MONTH!

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TURN OF KNOS SHOWS NEXT EXCITING PICTURE! When you've looked your admining fill at one picture, just turn center knob for next thill-packed "show." Light goes our automatically as new picture appears! To light new picture, hank another coin. No less than SIX exciting pictures in all—a fight, diamatic dance team, tense todeo scene, hilarious cartoon, swell figure skater and circus clown with his trick dog!

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complete show! And with SIX wondeful pictures to see — you bank REAL MONEY just for letting them look!

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YOU CAN FORGET AND FORGIVE A PIFTEEN YEARS-YOU'RE BEHIND BARS! YOU CAN'T FORGET THE MAN WHO!
PUT YOU THERE,
EVEN IF YOU'RE A
RAT AND HE'S A PRETTY DECENT GUY-OR MAYBE BECAUSE OF THAT! YOU JUST PLAN FOR THE ZERO HOUR! THAT'S THE WAY BUZZ AND HOWIE FELT ABOUT MARTY NOYES, AND THEIR FINAL DEADLY HUNT FOR HIM STARTED THREE PEOPLE ON A FLIGHT FROM FEAR!







AT A LATER DATE, REFUSING HIS PRIVILEGE OF TRIAL BY JURY, MARTY NOYES THREW HIMSELF ON THE MERCY OF THE COURT ...

IN VIEW OF YOUR
PREVIOUS GOOD RECORD
AND OTHER EXTENUATING
CIRCUMSTANCES, PLUS
THE FACT THAT YOU
HAVE TESTIFIED FOR
THE STATE, I AM
SENTENCING YOU TO
A TWO-TO-FIVE YEAR
YERM...



Buzz Largen
And Howie Tigue
DREW FIFTEEN
TO TWENTY
YEAR STRETCHES!
IN THE BIG
HOUSE THEY
RARELY SAW
MARTY NOYES,
BUT WHEN
THEY DID,
THEY DID,
THEY NEVER
MIGSED AN
OPPORTUNITY
TO RENEW





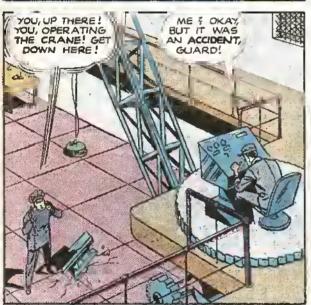


















BUT NEITHER LARSEN NOR TIGUE GOT ANDTHER CHANCE TO DO ANY MORE THAN HURL AN OCCASIONAL THREAT AT MARTY NOYES! WITH TIME OFF FOR MARTY WAS OUT IN LITTLE MORE THAN A YEAR! HE JOINED MIN AND EIGHT-YEAR OLD TOMMY IN THEIR HOME TOWN, MAYSVILLE



YOUR WORLD, FOR THE TIME BRING, IS
WITHIN THE BORDERS OF THIS STATE!
KNOWING YOU WERE COMING HOME, I
TOOK THE LIBERTY OF LOCATING A
PLACE FOR YOU IN BRIARTON! YOU'VE
HAD SOME EXPERIBNCE
IN THE RESTAURANT
BUSINESS, MARTY!
NOW, I'M NOT A
RICH MAN.
RICH MAN.
ANYTHING FROM
YOU! I KNOW HOW
HARD YOU'VE HAD
TO WORK FOR
A BUCK!



A MONTH
LATER --MARTY'S
CAFE,
LOCATED ON
A HIGHWAY
ON THE
OUTSKIRTS
OF THE
CITY OF
BRIARTON,
WAS READY
FOR
BUSINESS.--



IT LOOKS NO, MIN! IT'S HERE GOOD, MARTY! ONLY AS LONG AS WE OUR WHOLE CAN STAY! THERE ARE FUTURE IS A COUPLE OF MEN RIGHT WHO THINK I HAVE HERE! NO RIGHT TO BE HAPPY, OR EVEN TO LIVE!



COULD THINK OF WAS HOW TO GET MARTY NOYES! AND STRANGE LY ENOUGH, THAT CON-SUMING DESIRE FOR REVENGE MADE LIFE IN PRISON SEARABLE FOR BUZZ LARSEN AND HOWIE TIGUE!

ME'S OUT NOW,
MAYBE LAUSHING AT
US 'CAUSE WE'LL BE
ALMOST OLD MEN
WHEN WE COME OUTLAUGHING 'CAUSE
WE'LL BE BURIED FOR
FOURTEEN MORE
YEARS!

LET HIM LAUGH! LET HIM
GET ALL SETTLED NICE
AND COZY! HE'LL BE
FORTY—MAYBE HAVE
ENOUGH DOUGH TO REALLY
START ENJOYING LIFE—
THEN WE'LL CATCH UP
WITH HIM, AND HE
WON'T BE ANYTHING





MONOTONOUSLY, FOR LARSEN AND TIGUE!
TWICE IN 15 YEARS
THEY WERE REFUSED
PAROLE! NOW THEY
WERE UP AGAIN BEFORE
THE BOARD! AFTER
OUE CONSIDERATION,
LARSEN WAS
TURNED OCYWN! AN
HOUR LATER, TIGUE
WAS GIVEN THE
SAME ANSWER...







LATER THAT DAY ...

THOSE HEELS! THE GUY I'M REMEMBERING IS WHAT'S FIVE MORE YEARS THE SKUNK WHO OUT OF MY LIFE PUT US HERE! MARTY NOYES! MEAN TO THEM! I'LL REMEMBER EVERY ONE TO GET THAT GUY I CAN'T WAIT OF 'EM! FIVE MORE YEARS! WE MIGHT LIKUAK







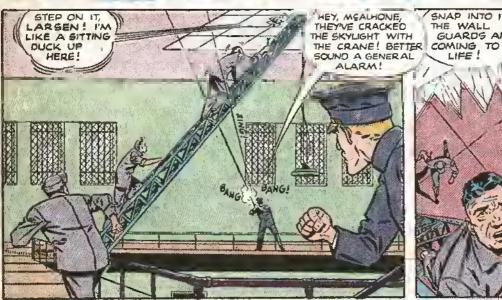
IF WE MAKE IT OUT OF HERE, HOWIE, WE'LL SO MUCH AND GET TWO SIDES OF THIS BUILDING FORM PART OF THE WALL... COMES SNOOPING!



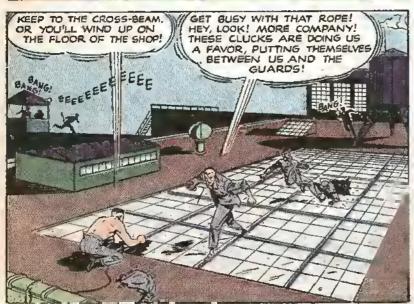














FEW HOURS LATER, NEWS OF THE ESCAPE WAS BROADCAST THROUGHOUT THE STATE, AND MARTY'S SHABERING FEAR SUDDENLY CAME ALIVE! WHAT SHOULD HE DO? HOW SHOULD HE MEET THIS CRISIS? HIS OWN FEELINGS OF GUILT, MINGLEO WITH A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO HIS FAMILY DICTATED HIS NEXT MOVE ...



THEY WOULDN'T COME HERE MARTY- NOT AFTER SO LONG! THEY'LL PROBABLY TRY TO GET OUT OF THE STATE YOU DON'T KNOW THEM DEAR! ALL THEY'VE GOT LEFT IS THEIR HATE FOR ME! THINGS HAVE BEEN GOING SO WELL... LOOK, MIN, WHY DON'T YOU STAY HERE AND I'LL GO IT ALONE



THAT NIGHT, AFTER CLOSING ...

SO THAT'S WHY WE'VE NEVER
BEEN BACK TO MAYSVILLE, TOWNY!
I DION'T WANT YOU TO SUFFER
JUST BECAUSE I'D GOTTEN IN
TROUBLE ONCE! BUT I COULON'T
TELL YOU TILL NOW! I'TS UP TO
YOU—AND LAURIE!

TALK IT OVER WITH I'LL GO WITH HER IF YOU YOU AND MOTHER, DAD! BUT I CAN'T TELL LAURIE! I CAN'T I

THEY MOVED OUT OVERNIGHT, LOCK, STOCK, AND BARREL! SEVERAL DAYS LATER LAURIE FRANKUN, WONDERING AT TOWNY'S ABSENCE CAME TO "MARTY'S MEALS! SHE FOLIND IT BOARDED UP ANY EVERYBODY GONE! TOWMY HAD, LEFT WITHOUT A WORD. AND LAURIE WHY



YOU KNOW THEY WERE MARTY NOYESE HERE A FEW DAYS KNOW WHEN HE LEFT THIS AGO! WAT WAS THE PLACE, AND WHERE ... LAST I SAW OF THEM: I. I HE'S GONE? DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK-THEY'RE GONE AND THAT'S



IF TOM NOVES HAD GIVEN ANY INDICATION THAT HE WAS TIRED OF HER, LAURIE FRANKLIN WOULD HAVE TRIED TO FORGET HIM! BUT SHE SENSED THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER REASON AND, DETERMINED TO FIND THE BOY SHE LOVED, WENT TO HIS HOME TOWN, MAYSVILLE...





NO CRIME DOES PA







IT'S SO HARD TO BELIEVE! MR. NOYES SEEMS LIKE SUCH A FINE MAN! HE WORKS SO HARD! WHY SHOULD THEY LEAVE WITHOUT A WORD? IT WOULDN'T HAVE MADE ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOWNY AND ME! IT WASN'T HIS FAULT!

FUNNY THING, YOUR COMING IN ABOUT NOYES! HE TESTIFIED AGAINST TWO OTHER MEN, LARSEN AND TIGUE! IT GOT HIM A LIGHT SENTENCE, AND THEY WERE SENT UP FOR FIFTEEN-TO-TWENTY-YEARS! THEY'VE JUST ESCAPED FROM THE



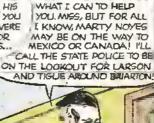
ONE THING'S SURE, ANYWAY -NOYES WOULDN'T HAVE HOOKED UP WITH THEM AGAIN! THEY'D HAVE GUTS!

THESE MEN SOME-WHERE! I CAN'T. YES! WHEN I WENT TO THE CAFE YESTERDAY AND MEN CAME ALONG AND ASKED ME IF I KNEW WERE OLDER THAN IN THESE PICTURES, BUT I'M SURE THEY

CAPTAIN! I'VE SEEN



OH, I'VE GOT TO FIND TOWMY! I'VE GOT TO WARN HIS FATHER! DON'T YOU SEE, IF THEY WERE LOOKING FOR MR. NOYES ..



YES, THEY'LL WANT TO

PAY HIM BACK! I'LL DO

MEANWHILE. NOYES FAMILY HAD MOVED HALF WAY ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO CALIFORNIA WHERE THEY OPENED A NEW CAFE UNDER AN ASSLIMED NAME! BUT ALL THIS MARTY'S PURSUERS LEARNED AS THEIR DEADLY HUNT CONTINUED THROUGH THE MONTHS! THEN ONE DAY ...







NOTPAY DOES



I KNEW IT WOULDN'T LAST! MIN. YOU AND TOWNY STAY HERE! THEM THAT TWO ESCAPED CONNCTS ARE IN TOWN! I'LL TAKE IT ON THE LAM AND HOPE THEY'RE CAUGHT BEFORE THEY CATCH UP WITH ME! I CAN'T LET YOU GO THROUGH ANY MORE OF THIS!

> WE'RE GOING WITH YOU, MARTY! TWO WEEKS AGO HARRY GRAVEN MADE YOU AN OFFER FOR THIS PLACE! I'LL CALL HIM, WHILE YOU RUN IN AND PACK!

A CERTIFIED CHECK FOR THE DINER WAS WAITING FOR THEM WHEN THEY REACHED HARRY GRAVEN'S PLACE IN SAN FERNANDO ONCE AGAIN THE NOYESES WERE ON THE RUN ...

IT JUST ISN'T RIGHT! WHAT KIND OF LIFE IS THIS FOR YOU AND TOMMY

WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE WITH-FIND ANOTHER PLACE AND WE'LL LEAVE THERE, TOO, IF WE HAVE TO!



MEANWHILE. LAURIE FRANKLIN ON A DETERMINED SEARCH FOR THE FAMILY OF THE BOY SHE LOVED, FOUND CHARLES DINER BUT NOW GRAVEN'S, AND HAD BEEN FOR WEEKS! SHE SPOKE WITH THE NEW PROPRIETOR ...

... YOU SAY THEIR CHECK HAS ALREADY CLEARED? THEN YOU HAVE IT BACK, MR GRAVEN? IT SHOULD HAVE THE NAME OF THE BANK AND THE TOWN WHERE MR. NOYES, OR NELSON AS HE NOW WALLS

SUPPOSE YOU WAIT HERE, AND I'LL GO BACK TO ME MUUSE HIMSELF, CASHED AND HAVE A LOOK!

THAT'S A

LADY!

IDEA YOUNG

SMART

DANGED IF IT WASN'T RIGHT ON THE BACK OF THE CHECK! CASHED IN THE TOWN OF REDWOOD! THAT'S ABOUT 240 MILES NORTHWEST OF HERE ... JUST ONE BANK IN TOWN! OF COURSE, YOU CAN'T BE SURE THEY STAYED THERE!

> OH, I HOPE THEY DID, MR. GRAVEN! I'VE BEEN LOOKING



THE NOVESES WEREN'T IN RECWOOD NOR IN A HALF DOZEN OTHER TOWNS WHERE LAURIE WAS ALWAYS TOLD THEY HAD "JUST LEFT! " BUT ONE DAY. IN THE BLACKROCK, WYOMING GENERAL STORE ...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT NAME THEY'RE LISING NOW, ONLY THAT THEY WERE HEADING IN THIS DIRECTION! THE YOUNG MAN 15 TWENTY-TWO

THAT DESCRIPTION MIGHT FIT A LOT OF FOLKS MISS!

> LAURIE AURIE FRANKLIN!







DAY EDOES



TWENTY MINUTES LATER, A POUNDING AT THE DOOR : OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE HERMAN TILFORD'S HOME INTERRUPTED THE CEREMONY ...

WHY DO PEOPLE HAVE TO BARGE IN AT A TIME LIKE THIS MARTHA, GO SEE WHO IT IS!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT DEAR ... I'M NOT **AFRAID** ANY MORE!



SOMEBODY TOLD US YOU HAVE A VISITOR ... A MAN NAMED MARTY NOYES! WE WANT TO SEE HIM .. OUT HERE!

HIIII

THERE'S A WEDDING, GOING WANTS TO SEE YOU'LL HAVE TO

ON! I'LL ASK THE GENTLEMAN IF HE YOU! OTHERWISE, WAIT!

.SO FOR THE LAST TSK! TSK! THAT THREE MONTHS THEY'VE IS VERY UN-BEEN HUNTING MARTY! FORTUNATE! THEY'VE SWORN TO I KNOW HOW KILL HIM! OH, ISN'T YOU FEEL, MR. THERE A BACK WAY NOYES, BLIT YOU SHOULD CALL THE SHERIFF? HAVE ASKED

FOR POLICE PRO-TECTION AS SOON AS YOU CAME TO BLACKROCK AS FOR GETTING OUT OF HERE, YOU'D ONLY HAVE TO RUN SOME MORE! BETTER LET ME HAVE A TALK WITH THOSE GENTS OUT THERE!

SO YOU'RE LARSEN GET OUT OF AND TIGUE! SEEMS THE WAY, YOU AS HOW I HEARD DUMB HICK! YOU FELLERS ARE WANTED SOMEWHERE WE WANT

FOR JAILBREAK, SO MARTY I RECKON I'LL NOYES, AND HAVE TO PLACE WE'RE GOING YOU UNDER IN AFTER HIM! ARREST! NOW CLEAR

OUT, OR WE'LL FIRST!



OH, HERMAN, I WAS JUST SHOWING THEM YOUR PRIZES! NOW THIS ONE IS FOR THIRD PLACE IN THE NATIONAL PISTOL MATCHES ... THEN HERE IS THE LOCAL RAPID SHOOT...

> HUMPH! FOR TEN YEARS RUNNING I WON THE WESTERN PISTOL CONFERENCE! THEN AT THE NATIONAL MATCHES - WHOOSH! I SNEEZED WHEN I PULLED THE TRIGGER! NEXT TIME!



IT'S ALL LETS SEE, WHERE OVER, MARTY! WERE WE ! I WANT WE'RE FREE TO GET THIS OVER . WITH QUICK, IF YOU DON'T MIND! I GOT AT LAST! SOME CLEANING UP TO DO OUT THERE PORCH!





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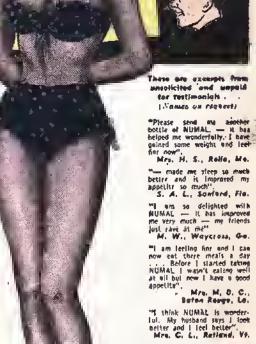
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Frances Hancack Metcalf Georgia

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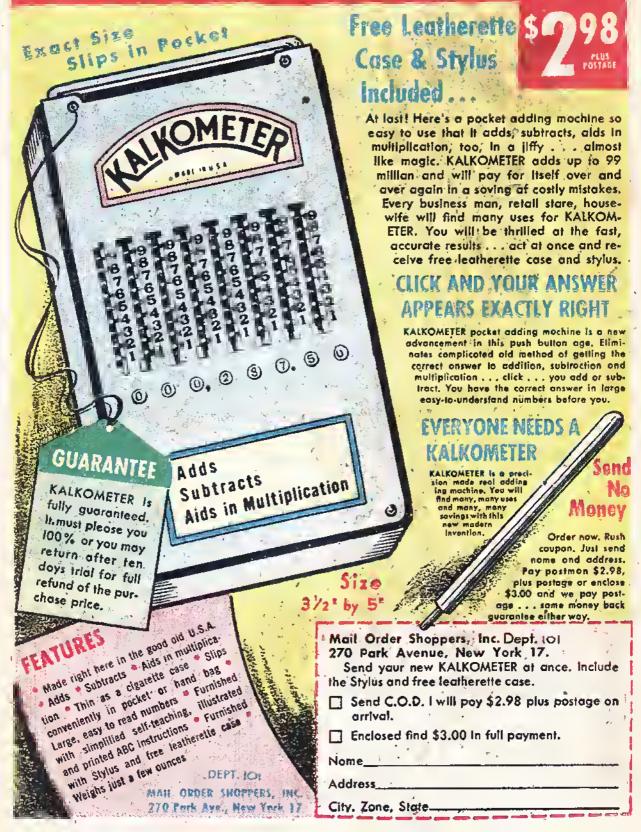
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TOO MANY CLUES



TERRY GALTON watched old Udell Taggart hobble around the antique shop, closing it for the night. Old Taggart owned the business and he slept in the back room. For months, 'he'd been too feeble to go down into the basement whete the office was, so Jerry, his only clerk, had handled that work for him.

This had given Jerry his chance at larceny on a grand scale. He'd sold off choice antiques at quick, bargain prices. For every dollar Taggart gained, Jerry was pocketing five of more. Jerry had kept a set of very phony books, but now inventory was coming up, and he hadn't expected old Taggatt to last this long.

Jerty had tigged things well enough to fool heirs, executors, administrators, auditors and such, but not old Taggart. He knew the stock by memoty, as Jerry did. So tonight would have to be Taggart's last.

Jerry stepped into the back room and opened a closet door. On a shelf was an antique chest, a ship's medicine cabinet. A key showed beneath it; Jerry took the key and unlocked the cabinet. From it he removed a quaint old pistol with six barrels, the type termed a "pepper-hox." The gun was loaded; Taggart kept it that way in case of burglars. Jerry closed the cabinet, locked it and pocketed the key. The gun beneath his coat, Jerry went out through the shop and down the basement stairs, calling to Taggart as he went:

"I've got to make a delivery, Mr. Taggart, I can't wait until yout nephew Alvin stops by. He's coming

to collect your life insurance premium, remember? I'll bring up the policy like I always do, so you can check the number when he gives you the teceipt."

In the basement Jetty opened a desk drawer which bore a label "Insurance" written in faded ink. He found the correct policy, one of several that Taggart had taken out through his nephew Alvin. Jerry left the old fashioned revolver in the drawer and went upstairs. On the way he picked up a wrapped package, and, near the ftont door, he handed the insurance policy to old Taggart, reminding him again about Alvin.

It had been snowing all afternoon, laying a thick, flaky coating on the cement walk that went around the antique shop, past the window of old Taggatt's bedroom. This pleased Jerry when he noted it. It fitted with his scheme of things; namely, that Taggart's nephew Alvin would apparently be the last person to see his Uncle Udell alive.

the package to a distant customer. So he stopped to eat at a hinch counter where he often went, and read the early edition of the next day's newspaper. He speculated on the stories later editions might carry about the "snicide" of old man Taggart. That was how nicely Jerry had planned things.

Jerry reached the antique shop at eight o'clock and rang at the front door until Taggart came and opened it. Slapping his arms and stamping the snow from his feet, Jerty observed that there were no passers by. Then he stepped inside.

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"Brought you a cash payment, Mr. Taggart," said Jerry, tapping his inside pocket. "Wait until I enter it in the book and I'll bring the money up to your, room."

But down in the basement, Jerry made no attempt to enter the amount in the book. He opened the insurance drawer, took out the gun that lay beside the stack of envelopes containing policies and receipts. He went up to the shop, saw that Taggart had bolted the front door, as was his practice. With a grim smile, Jerry eased into the back room, found old Taggart listening to the radio.

The pepper box revolver let go with one solid

Jerry wiped the handle of the gun, planted it in Taggart's scrawny, lifeless hand. He opened the closet door, unlocked the ship's medicine cabinet with its key, which he left in the lock. He closed and bolted the door of the room on the inside, took the newspaper from his pocket, laid some sheets on the window sill and put the rest in the wastebasket.

Next, Jerry brought out a length of thin fish line. He unlatched the window, opened it, looped the line over the window catch. He stopped for a moment to put on a pair of gloves, then climbed across the sill, dropped to the snow below. From the ground, he reclaimed the sheets of newspaper he had spread to prevent tell tale marks on the sill.

Jerry now drew down the window sash, pulled the loop of fish line. Through the crack between the halves of the window, the line drew the latch shut. Jerry tugged on the line; it came through the crack and he wound it up.

While he pocketed the fish line, he was moving backward toward the front door, following the snow-covered sidewalk. Attiving at the door, Jerry turned around and retraced his steps, carefully planting his feet in the prints ahead of him, the slight light from the street and Taggatt's back window giving him all the visibility needed. At the window, he planked his hands on the outside sill and peered through the pane, meanwhile champing the snow with his feet. Then, he turned, walked around to the front and went directly to a corner drugstore, where he made an excited telephone call.

Inspector Alan Mac Gregor of homicide came to view the scene that Jerry Galton talked about over the telephone. He broke into the premises, noting the bolted doors on the way. Mac Gregor saw the suicide evidence of the unlocked chest, the open closet door and the ancient gun in Taggagt's hand. The fact that Udell Taggart had committed suicide

right after paying an insurance policy was a typical event. But it could also hide a murder motive, so the inspector called old Taggart's nephew, Alvin.

Jerry repressed a smile as he listened to that call. Mac Gregor would learn that old Taggart hadn't left his clerk Jerry Galton a single cent. Indeed, Jerry would be out a job because of the old man's death. Over the phone, Mac Gregor told Alvin of the suicide and the finding of the weapon. Then, Mac Gregor listened intently.

The call finished, the inspector spoke in a low tone to a waiting sergeant, who promptly went out. Jerry watched nervously while Mac Gregor rummaged from closet to window to wastebasket and finally out to the basement stairs, where he becknoed for Jerry to come on down, just as the sergeant rejoined them.

"Twenty-two going," said the sergeant, "fifteen coming."

Mac Gregot nodded, but reserved comment until he opened the desk drawer in the basement. From an envelope, he pulled something that Jerry recognized with hortified eyes. It was the very polity that Jerry had taken up and given to old Taggart! Out of its folds fluttered a receipt that Mac Gregor promptly caught.

"You weren't here to put it back where it belonged, Galton," the inspector told Jerry, in a cold tone. "So Taggart sent his nephew downstairs with the polity. In the drawer, Alvin saw the gun that I mentioned over the phone. In his feeble state, Taggart couldn't have come down here, so you must have had it ready."

"Now wait ...," began Jerry. "Maybe Alvin ..."

"Alvin'had gone before six o'clock," interposed Mac Gregor, "so he couldn't have left the early morning edition of the newspaper that I saw in the wastebasket. You weren't as cautious as you thought, even in the matter of your footprints, Galton. When a man walks backward, his steps are short, so your prints total twenty-two going to the window where you say you looked in and saw the body; while there are only fifteen coming back."

The handcuffs were clamping on Jerry's wrists, but he didn't feel them. He was thinking of footsteps—his own—but not those in the snow.

Jerry Galton was thinking of the thirteen steps he'd soon be taking to the hangman's gallows, the sort from which there would be no returning.

THE END

SURE, TOM, YOU'VE GOT THE BRAINS AND MORE FOR THAT SUPERVISOR'S JOB --- BUT TOM'D LOVE TO DATE YOU, BETTY! OH, TOM'S A NICE GUY, JANE --- BUT YOU KNOW HOW IT IS --- I LIKE A MAN WELL, MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT. IT'S NO USE, SAM ... TAKE IT EASY, TOW! ALL YOU NEED IS A DAILY, IO-AINUTE DAILY, IO-AINUTE WORK-OUT WITH MINI-GYM' AND YOU'LL SCON BE GIVING ME A RUN FOR MY MONEY! NERE, LOOK I'M MOVING ON! I'M 8055/ WORSE THAN A YOU'D HEVER BE ABLE TO KEEP THOSE TOUGH WHO CAN DISH IT WHY DON'T WASH-OUT IN THIS OUT AS PLANT! I CAN'T HOMBRES IN THE SHOP HIM A WELL AS IN LINE! BREAK? TAKE LIKE YOU! AT THIS ALC: UNK AD! Gosh, Sam, I'm a new man! Am T Glad You Made me clip that 'mini-Gym' coupon! watch me do joe bonomo's tricky NEXT TIME, FELLER, YOU'D OW, TOH, THAT SUPERVISOR'S JOB BETTER THINK FIRST BEFORE YOU START SHOOTING OFF THANKS, BOSS! I'LL MAKE GOOD... AND HOW! YOU'RE WONDERFUL! YOURS, TOM / AND I DON'T HAVE TO WISH YOU LUCK! YOU'VE MADE YOURSELF INTO A REAL "COMER" EXERCISE IO AGAIN! //5 A KILLER-DILLER! AT ME! WHO MAKES HIS OWN GO TO IT, KID! I ALWAYS 1 LUCK BUT IT TAXES MIMI OYM TO GIVE A MAN TOP HONEST TOM, I- I DIDN'T MEAN HOTHING. TWO MONTHS

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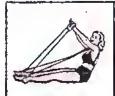
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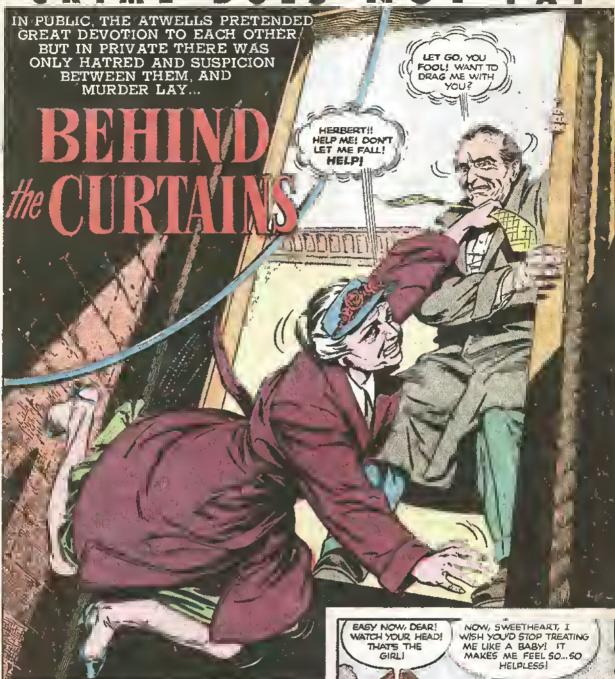
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FM SURE THE WARNERS
FOLAND IT VERY AMUSING
TO HEAR ABOUT THE LADY
FRIEND YOU HAD BEFORE
YOU MET ME! IF YOU
MUST BE CHEAP,
HERBERT...
HERBERT...
WE GET
HOME!





YES, IT WAS ALL SWEETNESS AND LIGHT BETWEEN THIS "IDEAL" PAIR AS GEORGE AND HELEN WARNER DROVE THEM HOME IT MUST BE
WONDERFUL TO
BE HAPPY LIKE
THAT GEORGE!
WE WERE "ONCE!
HE TREATS HER
WITH SUCH
TENDERNESS.

BABY. THATIS A TWO-WAY
DEAL! SHE ACTS AS IF HE
WERE THE CENTER OF THE
UNIVERSE! IT MAKES A
MAN FEEL GOOD TO KNOW
HE MEANS THAT MUCH TO
SOMEONE! I DON'T KNOWI GUESS WE JUST LOST
SOMETHING SOMEWHERE

LOST SOMETHING? HUH!
WE NEVER HAD IT! OH,
WELL I DON'T EXPECT
YOU TO START BEING LIKE
HERBERT ATWELL - A
MODEL HUSBAND! I'D
PROBABLY DROP DEAD

YOU'D DROP DEAD? IS THAT A PROMISE? SWEETHEART! PRECIOUS! ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE WARM ENOUGH, MY ADDRABLE? WELL, IM WAITING! GO ON,

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HOWEVER, NO SOONER WERE THE ATWELLS IN THE PRIVACY OF THEIR OWN APARTMENT. FURTHERMORE,
MISTER ATWELL,
THE NEXT TIME
YOU BELITTLE ME
IN FRONT OF
ANYONE, I'LL
SLAP YOUR FACE,
RIGHT THEN

AND THERE!

TOLL BE THE
LAST FACE
YOU'LL EVER
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SIGHT HAPPIER!

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MY FRIENDS! GENTLEMAN TILL

I MARRIED YOU!

ALL I'VE HAD FOR THE
LAST FOURTEEN YEARS
IS NAG, NAG, NAG! HOW
COULD ANYONE REMAIN
A GENTLEMAN BEING
MARRIED TO A NEUROTIC



I DON'T WANT TO CRITICIZE! IT'S

YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO SAY THINGS LIKE THAT! Y. YOU... I. IVE GOT A PAIN-MY HEART! HERB. PLEASEST

MY CAPSULES!

I'VE

IT ALWAYS ENDS THIS WAY DOESN'T IT? TEN YEARS AGO THE DOCTOR TOLD YOUR TO BE CAREFUL OF YOUR HEART—AND FOR TEN YEARS YOU'VE BEEN USING IT AS A WEAPON! WELL, I'M THROUGH PAMPERING YOU! GO GET YOUR OWN

BUT A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

I'M SORRY,
MARIE!
HERE!
HERE!

JUST THAT YOU'RE INCONSIDERATE
SOMETIMES — PERHAPS NOT
INTENTIONALLY — BUT IT HURTS
ME JUST THE SAME! WELL LET'S NOT
TALK ABOUT IT ANY MORE!
HEREAFTER YOU SHOULD.

BUT HERBERT WASN'T REALLY SORRY USELES OLLARRELING AND BICKER ING UNIVERSE HIS BITTERNESS AGAINST MARIE, AND SILENTLY WISH HER DEAD! AND RECENTLY HE HADN'T BEEN GRUDGES! THEY STAYED WITH HIM, AND FOR RELIEF HE WOULD ESCAPE INTO DAYDREAMS...



PAY







OH, NOTHING! I MIGHT AS WELL NOT BE HERE FOR ALL IT MATTERS TO YOU! I MIGHT AS WELL BE DEAD AS BURIED ALIVE WITH A MAN WHO CAN'T FIND ANYTHING TO TALK ABOUT! THAT WOULD RELIEVE YOU. WOULDN'T IT?

WHY DID YOU SAY THAT? DON'T BE RIDICULOUS, MARIE! CAN'T I HAVE EVEN A PRIVATE THOUGHT? MUST YOU PICK MY MIND CLEAN? AS FOR YOUR HEART, IT WILL SEE YOU THROUGH! I WOULDN'T

ABOUT IT! YOU MAY NOT HAVE LONG TO WAIT! WITH MY HEART-

NO, I WOULDN'T EXPECT YOU TO WORKY! FROM THE DAY YOU LEARNED I WAS A SICK WOMAN, YOU WANTED TO GET RID OF ME! BUT DON'T COUNT ON IT! I'LL OUTUVE YOU, MR. ATWELL-UNLESS YOU'VE MADE PLANS ...



THUS DID THE DISTRUSTFUL WOMAN PLANT A NEW IDEA IN HER HUSBAND'S MIND! FOR. ALTHOUGH HERBERTATWELL HAD LONG DREAMED OF FREEDOM FROM MARIE, MURDER NEVER HAD OCCURAED TO HIM AS A MEANS OF REALIZING THAT OREAM! NOW, HEXBERT SET TO WORK ON A PATIENT PLAN ...

YOU NEEDN'T BOTHER LOT YOU CARE HOW PELT! OH, IM GETTING UP MARIE! I KNOW YOU FELT ILL WATCHING YOU, DURING THE NIGHT! INE ALREADY HAD BREAKFAST AND IM READY TO LEAVE FOR THE POLICE! OFFICE!



HERBERT LEFT FOR WORK, AND IN A FEW MINUTES TO SLEEP AGAIN, WHEN ...







AS 500N AS
THE COOL FAUL
AIR HAD
REVIVED HER,
MARIES FRIGHT
TURNED TO
ANGERI DRESSING
HAGTILY, SHE
RUSHED TO THE
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TO DETECTIVES
JOHN ROGERS
AND MARYIN
BOYLE.

... HE SAID HE NOW! NOW! LET'S BE CALM WAS GOING TO ABOUT THIS, LADY! YOU MURDER ME, SAY YOUR HUSBAND LEFT AND HE TRIED! THE FLAME ON UNDER THE COFFEE POT AND THE I DEMAND HIS ARREST! I WANT THE EXTINGUISHING THE FLAME LADY IT SEEMS TO ME PROTECTION OF THE HE'D FIGURE SOMETHING BETTER THAN THAT IF LAW! HE WANTED TO GET RID OF OPEN WINDOWS ...











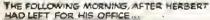












AND I JUST HUNG ON TO HERBERT'S TIE FOR ALL I WAS WORTH! SO YOU SEE, HE DIDN'T REALLY SAVE -JUST HAULED ME BACK SO I'D LET GO OF HIS TIE! TRIED TO BLAME IT ON THE SELF-SERVICE ELEVATOR, HE DID!

MAYBE WE'D BETTER HAVE A TALK WITH YOUR HUSBAND! WHAT'S HIS BUSINESS ADDRESS, MRS. ATWELL?



MY... WIFE? ARE TO GET TO YOU BURE? WHY, THE POINT, MR. ATWELL, A MARIE AND I HAVE BEEN HAPPILY SAYS SHE IS MARRIED FOR YOUR WIFE, HAS OVER FOURTEEN COMPLAINED YEARS! MATTER TO US TWICE OF FACT, WE THAT YOU-NEVER EVEN TO HARM MUST BE HER! MISTAKEN, GENTLEMEN!

YOU LIVE AT 1887 THAT'S THE RIGHT FRANKLIN BOULEVARD APARTMENT TU? THIS LADY SAYS SHE HAS A WEAK HEART, AND THAT YOU THREATENED TO MURDER HER! IN FACT, SHE TOLD US THAT LAST NIGHT PUSH HER DOWN AN ELEVATOR SHAFT ...

ADDRESS, BUT IT JUST DOESN'T SOUND LIKE MY WIFE! YOU CAN ASK ANY OF OUR PARTICULARLY DEVOTED TO EACH OTHER! AS FOR PUSHING HER DOWN A SHAFT, WELL, WE WEREN'T OUT OF OUR APARTMENT! I CAN'T UNDER



MRS. ATWELL DOES TELL ME MR. ATWELL, HAVE HEART TROUBLE HAS YOUR MR, ROGERS, AND A WIFE BEEN PHYSICIAN HAS PRESCRIBED SOME-UNDER A DOCTOR'S OH, I THINK I SEE WHAT YOU MEAN! CAREÇ NO, THERE'S NOTHING REALLY WRONG WITH AMERICA THAT HANDS GOLD SOMEWHAT-ER-NELTROTIC, PERHAPS! I TRY TO UNDERSTAND, SO WE DO GET ALONG FINE!



NEUROTIC, MY EYE! THAT DAME IS NUTS, JOHN! POOR GUY SACRIFICES HIS WHOLE LIFE LOOKING AFTER A SICK WOMAN, AND SOON AS HIS BACK IS TURNED, SHE KNIFES HIM! AND STILL HE WANTS TO PROTECT HER! SHE OUGHT TO BE IN A BOORY HATCH!



AW, IT'S NOT

AS BAD AS ALL



BUT WHY SHOULD MR. ATWELL WANT TO KILLYOU? OH, I KNOW ABOUT THE THIRTY THOUSAND-DOLLAR POLICY-AND IT'S A GOOD MOTIVE -HUSBAND MAKES A BETTER THAN AVERAGE LIVING! HE POESN'T NEED THE

SEE YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME! YOU'VE NEVER BELIEVED ME! ALL RIGHT BUT WHEN YOU FIND ME DEAD YOU'LL KNOWI

I CAN



WELL, THAT'S THAT! MAYBE SHE'LL STOP BOTHERING US-FOR A WHILE, AT LEAST! YOU WERE RIGHT, MARV! A WOMAN LIKE THAT COULD OF HIS MIND! I DON'T SEE HOW ATWELL CAN TAKE IT! MAYBE HE IS JUST WAITING AROUND FOR HER TO NICK OFF 50 HE CAN COLLECT THE INSURANCE, BUT HE'LL HAVE

YEAH? - NOW WHO'S THE SKEPTICE NO. JOHN, HERBERT ATWELL IS ONE OF THOSE RARE BIRDS - A LOYAL GUM A DEVOTED HUSBAND! HIS WIFE MAY BE OFF HER ROCKER BUT YOU'LL NOTICE SHE ISN'T LEAVING HIM! OH, NO! SHE NEEDS HIM TO TAKE CARE OF HER! WHAT A LIFE!



BUT MARIE NO LONGER MERELY SUSPECTED HER HUSBAND SHE KNEW HE INTENDED TO MURDER HER, AND WATCHED HIS EVERY MOVE WITH FEAR AND APPREHENSION.



MARIE ATWELL HADCRIED WOLF ONCE TOO OFTEN: EXACTLY AS HERBERT HAD SEE? YLL BE OUT FOR A KNOWN SHE WALK, AND WHEN I WOULD! NOT COME BACK I'LL FIND THAT HE MARIE DEAD! WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SATISFIED TO SEE HER PERISH IN ANY ONE OF THOSE "ACCIDENTS" BUT HIS ORIGINAL SCHEME-THE ONE HE COUNTED ON! FEW DAYS ...









WHY DO YOU KEEP LOOKING WRONG? NO EVERYTHING IS FINE! DO YOU KNOW AT ME THAT WHY YOU SPITE - DRIVEN WITCH? BECAUSE IN TWO MINUTES YOU'LL 15 THERE SOMETHING BE DEAD! UNDERSTAND, WRONG? MARIE? DEAD! I'LL BE FREE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FOURTEEN **中国人民主人**

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ARE YOU QUITE SURE, HERBERT? YOU MEAN

THERE WAS POISON

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Y. YOU... NO!

YOU SHE-

DEVIL! YOU DIDN'T! IT'S







A FEW HOURS LATER, DETECTIVES ROGERS AND BOYLE, ABOUT TO PASS THE ATWELL'S APARTMENT HOUSE, DECIDED, OUT OF SHEER CURIOSITY, TO DROP IN AND SEE HOW THE COUPLE WAS GETTING ALONG...

DOOR'S OPEN, BUT IT'S QUIET INSIDE! MAYBE THEY'RE SLEEPING! WE'D BETTER

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OH, HELLO,
MCINTOSH! I'M
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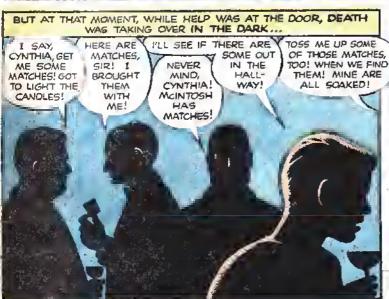


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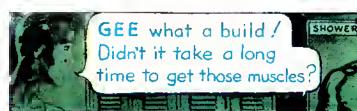
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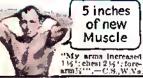
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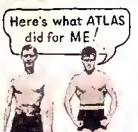






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